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Andrew Jackson to William Berkeley Lewis, February 14, 1825, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

TO MAJOR WILLIAM B. LEWIS.1

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Washington, February 14, 1825.

Dear Major: I am informed this day by Colo. R. M. Johnston of the Senate2 that Mr. Clay has been offerred the office of Sec of State, and that he will accept it. So you see the *Judas* of the West has closed the contract and will receive the thirty pieces of silver. his end will be the same. Was there ever witnessed such a bare faced corruption in any country before? The *Senate*, (if this Nomination is sent to it) will do its duty. No imputation will be left at its door. We will soon be with you, farewell.

2 Richard M. Johnson, senator from Kentucky.